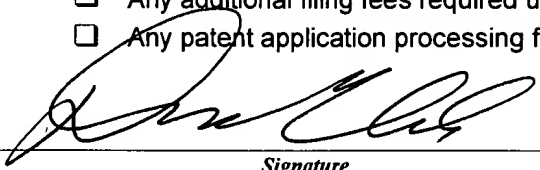


Image

<b>AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER (Small Entity)</b>			Docket No. <b>T2281-907508</b>		
Applicant(s): <b>Robert Sterling et al.</b>					
Serial No. <b>09/978,305</b>	Filing Date <b>October 17, 2001</b>	Examiner <b>Margaret G. Moore</b>	Group Art Unit <b>1712</b>		
Invention: <b>Thermoset Polymers with Polyfluoroalkylsiloxane Modified Surfaces</b>					
<u>TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:</u>					
Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.					
<input type="checkbox"/> Small Entity status of this application has been established under 37 CFR 1.27 by a verified statement previously submitted. <input type="checkbox"/> A verified statement to establish Small Entity status under 37 CFR 1.27 is enclosed.					
The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.					
<b>CLAIMS AS AMENDED</b>					
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST # PREV. PAID FOR	NUMBER EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	13 -	20 =	0 x	\$9.00	\$0.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	3 -	3 =	0 x	\$43.00	\$0.00
Multiple Dependent Claims (check if applicable) <input type="checkbox"/>					\$0.00
<b>TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT</b>					<b>\$0.00</b>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No additional fee is required for amendment. <input type="checkbox"/> Please charge Deposit Account No. _____ in the amount of _____ <input type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of _____ to cover the filing fee is enclosed. <input type="checkbox"/> The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16. <input type="checkbox"/> Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.					
 _____ Signature			Dated: <b>March 9, 2004</b>		
<b>Dennis P. Clarke, Reg. No. 22,549</b>  <b>Miles &amp; Stockbridge P.C.</b> <b>1751 Pinnacle Drive, Suite 500</b> <b>McLean, VA 22102-3833</b> <b>Tel: (703) 903-9000</b> <b>Fax: (703) 610-8686</b>			<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;">         I certify that this document and fee is being deposited on _____ with the U.S. Postal Service as first class mail under 37 C.F.R. 1.8 and is addressed to the _____ for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.       </div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-top: 10px;">         _____          Signature of Person Mailing Correspondence       </div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-top: 10px;">         _____          Typed or Printed Name of Person Mailing Correspondence       </div>		
Customer No. 00181 CC:					



Docket No.: T2281-907508

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of :  
Robert Sterling et al. : Confirmation No. 4336  
Serial No.: 09/978,305 : Group Art Unit: 1712  
Filed: October 17, 2001 : Examiner: Margaret G. Moore  
Title: Thermoset Polymers with :  
Polyfluoroalkylsiloxane Modified Surfaces

**AMENDMENT**

Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the official letter dated December 9, 2003, please reconsider the above-captioned application in light of the following amendments and remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.